In the Indiana Supreme Court



IN THE MATTER OF)
THE APPOINTMENT OF)
MAURICE C. O'CONNOR AS) Case No. 65 S00-0806-MS-328
SENIOR JUDGE IN THE)
POSEY SUPERIOR COURT)

ORDER APPOINTING SENIOR JUDGE

The presiding judge of the Posey Superior Court, the Honorable S. Brent Almon, has requested the appointment of Senior Judge Maurice C. O'Connor for service in that court for 2008, pursuant to Ind. Code §33-23-3-1.

This Court adopted revisions to Administrative Rule 5 on December 3, 2003, which made certain changes to the senior judge program in recognition of the importance of senior judges to the administration of justice in Indiana trial courts. Accordingly, we find that the Posey Superior Court has demonstrated the need for additional judicial resources. We find further that the presiding judge of the Posey Superior Court would benefit from the appointment of a senior judge to that court. Senior Judge Maurice C. O'Connor has been certified as a senior judge by the Judicial Nominating Commission for the calendar year 2008 pursuant to Ind. Code §33-27-4-1. This Court may re-examine the appointment made herein at a later date in light of weighted caseload statistics and other circumstances, and make adjustments accordingly.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that Senior Judge Maurice C. O'Connor is appointed to serve in the Posey Superior Court at the discretion of the presiding judge, retroactive to **June 1**, **2008**. This appointment shall remain in effect until **December 31**, **2008**. The requesting trial court shall utilize Judge O'Connor and other senior judges for no more than the total number of senior judge days allocated to the trial court, and it shall be incumbent upon the presiding judge of the court to ensure that the total number of allocated days is not exceeded. Pursuant to Ind. Code §33-23-3-5, the senior judge appointed by this Court in this Order may not be compensated as senior judge for more than one hundred (100) days in the aggregate during the 2008 calendar year.

The Clerk of this Court is directed to forward a certified copy of this order to the Honorable S. Brent Almon, Posey Superior Court, Courthouse, P.O. Box 604, Mount Vernon, IN 47620-0604, presiding judge of the Posey Superior Court; to the Honorable Maurice C. O'Connor; to the clerk of the Posey Circuit Court for entry in the Record of Judgments and Orders; to the Indiana Judicial Center; to the Judicial Qualifications Commission; and to the Division of State Court Administration, Payroll Section.

DONE at Indianapolis, Indiana this _____ day of June, 2008.

Acting Chief Justice of Indiana